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In re : Chapter 11 Case No.

LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et al., : 08-13555 (SCC)

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S OBJECTION TO CLAIM NO. 25496 HELD BY WILMAR TRADING PTE LTD.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 5, 2015, Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. ("LBHI"), as Plan Administrator under the Modified Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors for the entities in the in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases, filed its objection to proof of claim number 25496 held by Wilmar Trading Pte Ltd. (the "Objection"), and that a hearing (the "Hearing") to consider the Objection will be held before the Honorable Shelley C. Chapman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in Courtroom 623 of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004, on March 11, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any responses to the Objection must be in writing, shall conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Rules of the Bankruptcy Court, shall be filed with the Bankruptcy Court (a) electronically in

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accordance with General Order M-399 (which can be found at www.nysb.uscourts.gov) by registered users of the Bankruptcy Court's filing system, and (b) by all other parties in interest, on a CD-ROM or 3.5 inch disk, in text-searchable portable document format (PDF) (with a hard copy delivered directly to Chambers), in accordance with the customary practices of the Bankruptcy Court and General Order M-399, to the extent applicable, and shall be served in accordance with General Order M-399 upon: (i) the chambers of the Honorable Shelley C. Chapman, One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004; (ii) Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153, Attn: Garrett A. Fail, Esq. and Christopher Hopkins, Esq., attorneys for LBHI and certain of its affiliates; (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for Region 2, 201 Varick Street, Suite 1006, New York, New York 10014, Attn: William K. Harrington, Esq., Susan Golden, Esq., and Andrea B. Schwartz, Esq.; so as to be so filed and received by no later than March 9, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Response Deadline").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if no responses are timely filed and served with respect to the Objection or any claim set forth thereon, the Plan Administrator may, on or after the Response Deadline, submit to the Bankruptcy Court an order substantially in the form of the proposed order annexed to the Objection, which order may be entered with no further notice or opportunity to be heard offered to any party.

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Dated: February 5, 2015 New York, New York

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PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S OBJECTION TO CLAIM NO. 25496 HELD BY WILMAR TRADING PTE LTD.

TO THE HONORABLE SHELLEY C. CHAPMAN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Lehman Brothers Holdings In. ("<u>LBHI</u>"), as Plan Administrator under the Modified Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors (the "<u>Plan</u>")¹ for the entities in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Estates</u>"), respectfully represents as follows:

Relief Requested

1. Proof of claim number 25496 (the "Satisfied Guarantee Claim") held by Wilmar Trading Pte Ltd. ("Wilmar") is a Guarantee Claim asserted against LBHI that corresponds to a Primary Claim asserted against a Lehman Brothers Finance Asia Pte. Ltd.

¹ Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Plan.

("<u>LBFA</u>"), a foreign Non-Controlled Affiliate that is subject to a Foreign Proceeding in its respective jurisdiction.

- 2. LBFA has made distributions on account of or otherwise satisfied the Primary Claim such that the Satisfied Guarantee Claim would be deemed satisfied in full in accordance with Section 8.13 of the Plan. Accordingly, pursuant to the Plan and long-standing principles that limit recoveries on account of related primary and guarantee claims to a single satisfaction, no Distributions would be made by LBHI on account of the Satisfied Guarantee Claim.
- 3. The Plan Administrator therefore files this objection (the "Objection"), pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 3007(d) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and this Court's order approving procedures for the filing of objections to proofs of claim, ECF No. 6664 (the "Procedures Order"), seeking the disallowance and expungement of the Satisfied Guarantee Claim.

Jurisdiction

4. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b).

Background

5. Commencing on September 15, 2008, and periodically thereafter, LBHI and certain of its subsidiaries commenced with this Court voluntary cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. These chapter 11 cases have been consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being jointly administered pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b).

- 6. On September 23, 2008, LBFA's directors passed a resolution placing LBFA in a Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation proceeding in Singapore. On October 17, 2008, LBFA's members and creditors confirmed the appointment of LBFA's liquidators.
- 7. On December 6, 2011, the Court entered an order confirming the Plan, ECF No. 23023. The Plan became effective on March 6, 2012. Pursuant to the Plan, the Plan Administrator is authorized to interpose and prosecute objections to claims filed against the Chapter 11 Estates.

Objection

- 8. A filed proof of claim is "deemed allowed, unless a party in interest . . . objects." 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). If an objection refuting at least one of the claim's essential allegations is asserted, the claimant has the burden to demonstrate the validity of the claim. *See In re Oneida Ltd.*, 400 B.R. 384, 389 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2009); *In re Adelphia Commc'ns Corp.*, No. 02-41729, 2007 Bankr. LEXIS 660 at *15 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 20, 2007); *In re Rockefeller Ctr. Props.*, 272 B.R. 524, 539 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2000). Section 502(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, that a claim may not be allowed to the extent that "such claim is unenforceable against the debtor and property of the debtor, under any agreement or applicable law." 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(1). Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d) permits omnibus objections to disallow claims on the basis that "they have been satisfied or released during the case in accordance with the Code, applicable rules, or a court order" FED. R. BANKR. P. 3007(d)(5).
- 9. The Satisfied Guarantee Claim should be disallowed and expunged in its entirety pursuant to section 502(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code. The holder of a guarantee claim cannot recover more than the singular amount of its damages from a primary obligor and

guarantor of the same obligation. See Bankers' Trust Co. v. Irving Trust Co. (In re United Cigar Stores), 73 F.2d 296, 298 (2d Cir. 1934) ("In no case can the [holder of a guarantee claim] recover from all sources more than the full amount of its claim"); Ross v. Worth Elec. Supply Co., Inc., 420 N.Y.S.2d 441, 443 (N.Y. Civ. Ct. 1979) ("It is fundamental in suretyship that with the payment of the principal obligation the obligations of both principal and surety are discharged."); see also Singer v. Olympia Brewing Co., 878 F.2d 596, 600 (2d Cir. 1989) ("[A] plaintiff is entitled to only one satisfaction for each injury."); United States v. Zan Mach. Co., 803 F. Supp. 620, 623 (E.D.N.Y. 1992) ("It is hornbook law that a plaintiff cannot recover twice for the same injury."); Leighty v. Brunn, 510 N.Y.S.2d 174, 175 (N.Y. App. Div. 1986) ("It is beyond cavil that a plaintiff is entitled to only one recovery with respect to an identical damage claim."); RESTATEMENT (THIRD) OF SURETYSHIP & GUARANTY § 19 (1996) ("To the extent that the underlying obligation is discharged by performance or other satisfaction by the principal obligor, the secondary obligation is also discharged. The obligee is entitled to only one aggregate performance.").

10. Consistent with the authority cited above, Section 8.13 of the Plan limits recoveries on account of the same claim for damages from a Primary Obligor and guarantor to a single satisfaction. Specifically, Section 8.13 of the Plan provides that an Allowed Guarantee Claim will be deemed satisfied in full if it receives consideration from the Primary Obligor equal to the Allowed amount of such Guarantee Claim. *See* Plan at § 8.13(a). The Plan provides that "[i]n no event" shall an Allowed Guarantee Claim against LBHI be entitled to receive Distributions that combined with consideration provided on account of the corresponding

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Primary Claim would exceed the Allowed amount of such Guarantee Claim. *See id.* at § 8.13(b).²

- 11. The Satisfied Guarantee Claim corresponds to a Primary Claim that has been allowed by and against LBFA. Wilmar has received distributions or other consideration from LBFA on account of its Primary Claim such that the Satisfied Guarantee Claim would be deemed satisfied in full in accordance with Section 8.13 of the Plan if the Satisfied Guarantee Claim was Allowed in its filed amount. Accordingly, pursuant to the Plan and well-settled principles of suretyship law, LBHI would have no liability on account of the Satisfied Guarantee Claim.
- Claim. Maintaining the Satisfied Guarantee Claim on the claims register will serve no valid purpose. It will, however, prejudice holders of Allowed Claims against LBHI that have yet to be satisfied in full and increase the costs of administration of the Chapter 11 Estates. The Plan Administrator should not be required to expend additional resources on Claims that are precluded from receiving Distributions from LBHI pursuant to the Plan. Accordingly, the Plan Administrator respectfully requests that the Court disallow and expunge the Satisfied Guarantee Claim.

² Section 8.13(d) of the Plan provides that "[f]or purposes of determining whether an Allowed Claim has been satisfied in full in accordance with Section 8.13(a) of the Plan, all Distributions or other consideration provided by a Primary Obligor in a currency other than the U.S. Dollar shall be converted to the U.S. Dollar applying the existing exchange rate derived from Reuters existing at approximately 3:00 p.m. GMT on the Confirmation Date." Plan at § 8.13(d).

Reservation of Rights

13. The Plan Administrator reserves all rights to object on any other bases to the Satisfied Guarantee Claim if the Court does not grant the relief requested herein.

Notice

- Administrator has served notice of this Objection on (i) the United States Trustee for Region 2; (ii) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (iii) the Internal Revenue Service; (iv) the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; (v) Wilmar; and (vi) all other parties entitled to notice in accordance with the procedures set forth in the second amended order entered on June 17, 2010 governing case management and administrative procedures for these cases [ECF No. 9635]. The Plan Administrator submits that no other or further notice need be provided.
- 15. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Plan Administrator or the Chapter 11 Estates to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE the Plan Administrator respectfully requests that the Court grant the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as is just.

Dated: February 5, 2015 New York, New York

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ORDER GRANTING THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S OBJECTION TO CLAIM NO. 25496 HELD BY WILMAR TRADING PTE LTD.

Upon the objection, dated February 5, 2015 (the "Objection"), 1 of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., as Plan Administrator under the Modified Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors for the entities in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases, pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 3007(d) of the Bankruptcy Rules, and this Court's order approving procedures for the filing of objections to proofs of claim [ECF No. 6664], seeking disallowance of the Satisfied Guarantee Claim, all as more fully described in the Objection; and due and proper notice of the Objection having been provided, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Objection is in the best interests of the Chapter 11 Estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Objection establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the relief requested in the Objection is granted; and it is further ORDERED that, pursuant to section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Satisfied Guarantee Claim is disallowed and expunged in its entirety; and it is further

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ORDERED that this C	ourt shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all
matters arising from or related to this	Order.
Dated:, 2015 New York, New York	
	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE